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The amendment filed 31 October 2007 is non-responsive. Applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.


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DETAILED ACTION

Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

1. The amendment filed on 31 October 2007 canceling all claims drawn to the elected species and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected species is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The remaining claims are not readable on the elected species because species I (claims 83-114) and species II (claims 153-188) detail a mutual exclusive characteristic of:

Species 1: data management wherein ownership information is embedded in a source file, stored, and later compared to a target file.

Species 2: data management wherein a source video comprising pixel matrix information is registered, embedded with file attribute information, encrypted with the owner's key, and decrypted such that an authorized user can access the file attribute information.

2. Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

Conclusion


3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Benjamin E. Lanier whose telephone number is 571-272-3805. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 7:30am-5:00pm, F 7:30am-4pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gilberto Barron can be reached on 571-272-3799. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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